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In re Application of

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For: METHOD FOR OPERATING A COIN ACTUATED ENTERTAINMENT AUTOMAT

This is a decision on the renewed petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b), filed October 9, 2001, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The application became abandoned on December 16, 2000 for failure to submit a proper reply to the final Office action, mailed September 15, 2000, which set a three (3) month shortened statutory period for reply. The amendment filed December 15, 2000 failed to place the application in condition for allowance as applicant was so notified by way of Advisory Action mailed January 11, 2001. No extensions of time for reply in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) were obtained. Notice of Abandonment was mailed April 20, 2001. The petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b) filed May 15, 2001 was dismissed July 20, 2001. A renewed petition was submitted September 17, 2001 and dismissed September 24, 2001.

Petitioner has met the reply requirement of 37 C.F.R. 1.137(b)(1) by submitting a Request for Continued Examination along with the fee and submission required under 37 C.F.R. 1.114(a).

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-0310.

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